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PARIS ALSO FOR USRO AND MCGUIRE.

USAREUR FOR POLAD.

SHAPE FOR STOESSEL AND US ELEMENT LIVE OAK.

ACCORDING EAST GERMAN WIRE SERVICE GROMYKO IMPROMPTU SPEECH
THIS MORNING ON GERMAN PEACE TREATY BEFORE "THREE THOUSAND"
HUMBOLDT UNIVERSITY STUDENTS MADE NO REFERENCE CUBA. HOWEVER,
GDR FONMIN BOLZ CLOSED MEETING WITH OBSERVATIONS SOVIET
UNION IS DEFENDER OF FREEDOM "ALSO AGAINST IMPERIALISTIC
US ATTACK ON CUBA" AND GDR STANDS WITH SOVIET UNION "IN
DEFENSE CUBAN PEOPLES PEACE AND SELF-DETERMINATION."

EYEWITNESS STATED GROMYKO SPOKE FROM OPEN TRUCK TO AUDIENCE
OF ONLY SEVERAL HUNDRED. CONFIRMED NO MENTION OF CUBA BY
GROMYKO. BOLZ HOWEVER ALSO SAID "WE ARE SURE OUR FRIEND
GROMYKO WILL SAVE PEACE IN CUBA." THIS OBSERVATION, WHICH
RECEIVED GREATEST APPLAUSE, WAS DELETED FROM WIRE SERVICE
REPORT.

COMMENT: IMPROVISED FORUM GROMYKO'S SPEECH, HIS COMPLETE
OMISSION CUBA, AND WIRE SERVICE DELETION BOLZ CLOSING
OBSERVATION ARE NOTABLE. LATTER SEEM CONSISTENT WITH SOVIET

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